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1. NOVEMBER 6 EDITION OF ZAGREB DAILY "VJDJNIK" CARRIES COMMENTARY HEADLINED "DIALOGUE IN PLACE OF DOUBTS," WHICH STATES THAT THE SECRETARY'S "SHORT BUT CONDENSED" VISIT TO BELGRADE HAS "CLEARED UP SOME CLOUDS" WHICH HAD RECENTLY APPEARED IN US-YUGOSLAV RELATIONS. ACCORDING TO "VJESNIK," THE US WISHES AND IS PREPARED FOR THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF LONG-TERM RELATIONS WITH YUGOSLAVIA, ESPECIALLY IN THE ECONOMY AND IN SOME OTHER AREAS." NOTING THAT THERE ARE AND HAVE BEEN SOME DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE US AND YUGOSLAVIA, "VJESNIK" STATES THAT "TO AVOID NEGATIVE CONSEQUENCES, WASHINGTON EMPHASIZES THE NEED FOR PERMANENT MUTUAL CONSULTATIONS AT ALL LEVELS." "VJESNIK" REAFFIRMS YUGOSLAV PRO-ARAB MIDDLE EAST POLICIES AND COMMENTS THAT IT IS "WORTH HOPING" THAT KISSINGER HAS UNDERSTOOD THAT TIME IS NOT WORKING ON THE SIDE OF THE ISRAELIS; THAT IN THE MIDDLE EAST IT NOT ENOUGH "SIMPLY TO MAKE DECLARATIONS, BUT ONE SHOULD WORK TOWARD FINDING SOLUTIONS." CLAIMING TO SEE SOME SIGNS THAT THE US IS ACCEPTING THIS VIEWPOINT, AND THAT SECRETARY KISSINGER WILL OPEN HIS CAIRO TALK "IN THIS SPIRIT," "VJESNIK" CONCLUDES THAT "ABOVE ALL IT SEEMS THAT THE BELGRADE DIALOGUES WITH KISSINGER WERE CONSTRUCTIVE."

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